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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action dated October 6, 2005, please amend the subject patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings are discussed on page 7.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 8.

Remarks begin on page 21.

An **Appendix** including an annotated drawing sheet showing changes, a replacement drawing sheet and a replacement Abstract on a separate sheet follows page 23.